# Disabilities Services Committee Zoom Meeting July 27, 2021 – 11:00 a.m.

#### **MINUTES**

A meeting of the Disabilities Services Committee was held Thursday, July 27, 2021 via Teams due to COVID-19. Those in attendance were:

#### Attendance:

Dave Grennon, Denise Taguwa, Tammy Wilkerson, April Friant, Cindy Angelo, Elizabeth Satterfield, Betsy Reed, Katie Czajkowski, Ann Garrison, Norma C, Jody Classen, Leslie Long

#### Staff:

Allison Spinelli, Cindy Angelo, Zary Irurita

#### **Handouts:**

# I. Welcome and Opening Remarks Approval of Minutes

Dave Grennon opened the meeting by welcoming all attendees. The meeting began at 11:07 a.m. Introductions were made around the room. Dave read the Open Public Meeting Act and Mission Statement. He requested a motion to approve the minutes from April 2021. Motion made by Cindy A. Seconded by Norma C. All in favor, motion approved.

#### II. NJDOLWD Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services

- Cumberland/Salem
  - Jody reported they are still doing virtual services. Difficulty with Youth also due to them not wanting to participate and getting employment easily. Still looking for bilingual teacher.
- Cape May
  - Norma reported they have been busy providing transition services.
  - Ann Garrison reported difficulty with Youth engaging in summer programs due to jobs being so easily accessible at this time.

#### III. Cumberland/Salem Offices of the Disabled – Reports

- Cumberland
  - Dave reported offices are still closed to the public. They are drop off services and virtual. Case by case basis for in person appointments. Helping seniors 60+ to schedule appointments for COVID-19, transportation available if need.

- Identity First Language- used by people with disabilities that feel like their disability is not a negative part of them. Import to ask how individuals would like to be regarded and identified.
- o **Salem-** No report.
- o Cape May- No report.

### IV. Other Reports

No report.

# V. Old/New Business

New business: Jersey Cape got approved to be social security ticket to work employment network. First couple weeks, there were already 3 people. Able to do services virtually.

# VI. Adjournment

Dave requested a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Betsy S., Second by Cindy A. All in favor, meeting adjourned. The meeting ended at 11:27 a.m.